GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Energy Department - Variable Renewable Energy – Amendments to the Andhra Pradesh Solar Power Policy, 2018, Andhra Pradesh Wind Power Policy 2018 and Andhra Pradesh Wind-Solar Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 - Orders – Issued.

ENERGY (POWER.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 35 Dated: 18-11-2019.

Read the following:

1.G.O.Ms.No.1, E,I&I Dept, dated:03-01-2019.
2.G.O.Ms.No.2, E,I&I Dept, dated:03-01-2019.
3.G.O.Ms.No.3, E,I&I Dept, dated:03-01-2019.

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ORDER:

In the G.Os read above orders were issued formulating the Andhra Pradesh Solar Power Policy, 2018 (ref.1), Andhra Pradesh Wind Power Policy, 2018 (ref.2) and Andhra Pradesh Wind-Solar Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 (ref.3). Government have observed that the statutory audit has reported an abnormal spurt in Power Purchase cost and deteriorated financial position of the A.P. DISCOMs. Taking into consideration the financial deterioration of APDISCOMS and in order to strengthen the financial position of the Power Utilities, Government after careful examination of the matter hereby make the following amendments to the above policies.

1) Transmission and Distribution charges for wheeling of power

(i) Transmission and Distribution charges shall be as determined by the APERC for connectivity to the nearest Central Transmission Utility (CTU) via State Transmission Utility (STU) network for inter- state wheeling of power, and via STU for intra-state wheeling of power.

(ii) Accordingly all the provisions in the policies including the following paras shall stand amended/deleted:

- Para 4 (a) of A.P. Solar Power Policy, 2018, Para 8(b) of A.P. Wind Power Policy, 2018 and Para 9 (a) of A.P. Wind Solar Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 shall stand amended.
- Para 4 (e) of A.P. Solar Power Policy, 2018 and para 9 (f) of A.P. Wind Solar Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 shall stand deleted.
- Para 8 of A.P. Solar Power Policy, 2018, Para 4 of A.P. Wind Power Policy and Para 11 of A.P. Solar Wind Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 shall stand amended.

2) Energy Banking and Drawal

(i) The facility of energy banking and drawal is hereby withdrawn for the Variable Renewable Energy from all the generators.
(ii) Any injection of energy between synchronisation and declaration of Commercial Operation Date(CoD) shall be treated as inadvertent power and no cost shall be paid by A.P.DISCOMs.
(iii) Accordingly all the provisions in the policies including the following paras shall stand amended/deleted:

- Para 4 (b) of A.P. Solar Power Policy, 2018, Para 8 (b) of A.P. Wind Power Policy, 2018, para 5.4 of A.P. Wind Solar Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 and para 9 (c) of A.P. Wind Solar Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 shall stand deleted.
- Para 8 of A.P. Solar Power Policy, 2018, Para 4 of A.P. Wind Power Policy, 2018 and Para 11 of A.P. Solar Wind Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 shall stand amended.

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3) Tariff

(i) The tariff for Solar projects or Wind Projects or Solar Wind hybrid projects or any other Variable Renewable Energy project shall not exceed "difference between pooled variable cost and balancing cost".

(ii) The applicable tariff for solar rooftop projects for either net metering/gross metering shall not exceed "difference of pooled variable cost and balancing cost" (or) the applicable tariff at the time of Commercial Operation Date (CoD) whichever is less.

(iii) Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission(APERC) will determine the pooled variable cost and balancing cost every year.

(iv) Accordingly all the provisions in the policies including the following paras shall stand amended/deleted:

- Para 3 A & 3 D of A.P. Solar Power Policy, 2018, Para 3 Category I of A.P. Wind Power Policy, 2018 and Para 5.2 (i) and Para 5.3 (v) of A.P. Wind Solar Hybrid Power policy, 2018 shall stand amended.
- Para 7 of A.P. Wind Power Policy, 2018 and Para 9 of A.P. Wind Solar Hybrid Power Policy, 2018 shall stand deleted.

4) Land

(i) All Government land allotments shall only be on lease hold basis.

(ii) Accordingly all the provisions in the policies including the Para 4 (j) of A.P. Solar Power Policy, 2018, Para 3 of A.P. Wind Power Policy, 2018 and Para 5.2 of A.P. Wind Solar Hybrid Policy, 2018 shall stand amended.

2. The C&MD, APTRANSCO/A.P.GENCO/VC & MD, NREDCAP/CMD, APSPDCL/CMD, APEPDCL shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The CMD, APTRANSCO, Vijayawada,
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